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Applicant : Atsushi ITO  
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**Mail Stop Non-fee Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria VA 22313-1450

**AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office action of December 16, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.